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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 10, 2010, concerning the above-referenced patent application. December 10, 2010 is three months from the mailing date of the office action. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: